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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

Sharon B. PAYTON et al

Attn: Applications

Serial No.: To be assigned

Filed: April 26, 2001

For: pH CONTROL OF SAUCES USED ON ACIDIFIED PASTA OR RICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to assigning a serial number and filing date to the above-identified application, please  
amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, before the first sentence thereof, please insert the following paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is a non-provisional application, which claims the benefit of  
provisional application serial number 60/199,830, filed April 26, 2000.--